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POLICE HOLD GIRL AS ELLA CROPSEY

Identified as the Missing One from Elizabeth City, N. C., She Makes an Emphatic Denial—Parents of Miss Cropsey Are Sceptical.

(Special to The World.) NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 4.—A special despatch from Wilson, N. C., late this afternoon says that a couple calling themselves Mr. and Mrs. Mackey Durham, who left that place last night, were brought back today by police officers. The girl, who is supposed to be the missing Ella Cropsey, was taken before a Miss Tyler, who formerly went to school with the Cropsey girl.

Miss Tyler said that, while it had been four years since she saw Ella, the features of the girl strongly resembled those of her former schoolmate, and she believed that she was not mistaken when she said the girl was really Ella, notwithstanding the latter had long hair when she last saw her.

The girl under arrest denies that she is Ella Cropsey, and says her name is Kersey; that she was raised on a farm near Chattanooga, and that her mother, who has remarried, is named Clark.

The Wilson police believe the girl



Miss Cropsey and are holding her for Elizabeth City authorities.

IDENTITY DOUBTED IN ELIZABETH CITY.

(Special to The Evening World.) ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., Dec. 4.—The woman under arrest at Wilson is not believed here to be Nell Cropsey. The woman at Wilson calls herself Mrs.

Nancy Durham, and is travelling with a man who says he is Dr. Mackey Durham, of Raleigh, N. C. It was this same couple which were held up at Plymouth a few days ago on the belief that the woman was Nell Cropsey. The woman calling herself Mrs. Durham is said to be two inches taller and about twenty pounds heavier than Nell Cropsey. Word just received from Wilson states that a Miss Tyler, now at school there, but who was a playmate years ago of Nell Cropsey, partially identified Mrs. Durham as Miss Cropsey. The Cropseys here do not believe the Durham woman is the missing girl.

CROKER'S IDEA OF A LEADER.

Tammany Chief Describes, but Does Not Name, His Successor.

WANTS A YOUNG MAN.

Richard Croker to-day for the first time definitely confirmed the rumor that he is to retire from the leadership of Tammany Hall, and described the sort of man he would like to succeed him. Here is Croker's ideal leader:

A young man.
Not a "wire puller."
Strong, fearless, independent.
Able to say to district leaders: "I don't care for you."
Absolutely unpledged.
Willing to work hard.
Record not open to criticism.
Able to take reverses.

At the Democratic Club this morning in the hearing of several members Richard Croker announced that he was willing to turn over the leadership of Tammany Hall to another man.

His Only Ambition.
He said that his decision was final and that the height of his ambition now is to win the English Derby.
The rest of his life, he said, is to be devoted to enjoyment, although he did not deny that he would keep watch over the organization of which he has been for so many years the head.
"When will the new leader be elected?"
"Mr. Croker did not answer for a moment."
"A leader is not elected," he replied, slowly.
"Is he born?"

How a Leader Must Come.
"No, it is not exactly that. But what I mean is this: If you or I or any one else should go out and try to be chosen leader of Tammany Hall none of us could succeed. If we got a few district leaders to stand for us, and they got others we might get in, but we wouldn't last long, for these men would come to us and say: 'We want you to do this or that, and we would like to do it.' If we didn't get out of it, we wouldn't be a man. The man who holds it must be like the number of a convention should be. He must be able to say: 'Gentlemen, the place seeks me; I don't seek the place.'"
"No man can be elected to the leadership of Tammany Hall. He must get there by his own efforts and personality. He must be a big man and a strong man, but that about the way of it." Mr. Croker refused to venture an opinion as to who would be his successor.

HOCHSTIM GUILTY; MAY GET 3 YEARS.

Martin Engel's Lieutenant Convicted for Preventing Arrest by McCullagh Deputy.

It may be that Max Hochstim, a trusted lieutenant of Martin Engel, may enjoy the country breeze that blows at Sing Sing for as much as three years. He was convicted to-day in Part IV. of the Court of General Sessions of interfering with a Deputy Superintendent of Elections.
The offense was committed on Nov. 5, 1909. Election Day. Deputy Superintendent William M. Chapman had a warrant for the arrest of James Bassett, alleged to be an illegal voter.
In trying to arrest Bassett, Chapman was interfered with by Hochstim and others. In the melee Bassett escaped. Superintendent McCullagh interested himself and had Hochstim arrested.
After many delays he was indicted.

RIVES NAMES ASSISTANTS. WEDS SISTER OF DAN DALY.

James McKeen for Brooklyn Office, Charles S. Whitman in Albany.

George L. Rives, who has accepted the appointment of Corporation Counsel under Mayor-elect Low, to-day announced his selection of James McKeen as Assistant Corporation Counsel in charge of the Brooklyn office. In speaking of the appointment Mr. Rives said:
"I need hardly say that this selection meets with the hearty approval of Mr. Low."
"I have also to announce that I have arranged to appoint Charles S. Whitman an Assistant Corporation Counsel. He will represent the Law Department in Albany during the sessions of the Legislature. Mr. Whitman graduated at Amherst."

BOY KILLED IN FIGHT.

Slashed by a Schoolmate in a General Scrimmage.
NEWPORT, Ky., Dec. 4.—In a general fist fight between schoolboys on their way home from school to-day, the eight-year-old son of Hugh Croelmann was stabbed and died within fifteen minutes. The police are endeavoring to ascertain the boy who used the knife.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 8 P. M. Thursday: For New York City and vicinity—Fair and continued cold to-night and Thursday; brisk northwest winds, diminishing to-night.



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LATEST NEWS IN BRIEFEST FORM.

BRAVE POLICEMAN APPLAUDED.

A fire-engine tender team bolted this afternoon from in front of No. 4216 Third avenue and dashed up the avenue. Policeman Henry Scharske ran over the icy pavements, reached their heads, climbed upon the pole and brought them to a stop just in time to avert a collision with an "L" pillar. He was heartily applauded by the spectators.

BURNED IN BROOKLYN FIRE.

Three children were badly burned at a fire in a frame building in the rear of No. 48 Lafayette street, Brooklyn, late this afternoon. They are John, four years old; Ethel, two years old, and Ella G., eight months old, the children of Mr. and Mrs. L. Tucker. John will probably die. Mrs. Tucker went to market at 5 o'clock. While she was gone the blaze started, caused, it is supposed, by the children playing with the fire in the stove. Henry Bell, of No. 329 Hudson avenue, saw the flames. He ran in and carried out the children. The little home of the Tuckers was completely gutted.

TEN MEN ADRIFT ON BARGES.

ST. JOHNS, N. B., Dec. 4.—Tug Gypsum King, from Windsor, N. S., to New York, arrived here to-day and reports loss of barges Gypsum Queen and Gypsum King off Lepreaux in yesterday's storm. Each barge had five aboard.

FLORENCE WARREN GETS DIVORCE.

Florence Warren, a young and pretty woman, of No. 223 East Nineteenth street, presented evidence before Justice Truax, in the Supreme Court, this afternoon, that her husband, Francis Warren, had lived at No. 215 West Twenty-fourth street with another woman last month, and Justice Truax granted a decree of divorce to her.

PATRICK TRIAL BEGINS MONDAY.

Lawyers Moore & Cantwell to-day notified the District Attorney that they would insist upon the trial of Albert T. Patrick, indicted for the murder of William Marsh Rice, going on next Monday. The case has been put on that day's calendar for trial before Recorder Goff. Counsel for the accused man say the District Attorney desires to leave the case for Justice Jerome.

GAMBLING MUST GO IN LOUISVILLE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 4.—The Board of Safety this afternoon issued an order to the Chief of Police to raid all gambling-houses and arrest all connected with them. This applies especially to pool-rooms and is the result of the defalcation and suicide of former City Treasurer Young, who is said to have lost his money there.

The demands of a committee of twenty-one miners, which called on Mayor Granger and the Board of Safety, precipitated this action.

LATE RESULTS AT NEW ORLEANS.

Fifth Race—Lou Woods 1, If-You-Dare 2, Royal Sterling 3.

A. G. VANDERBILT MADE DIRECTOR.

Chosen to Insurance Company Board—How He Turned From Idleness to Hard Work.

Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt was elected a director of the Equitable Life Assurance Company at the annual meeting of the directors of that organization to-day. This Vanderbilt, the richest young man in the world, whose wealth is estimated at \$20,000,000 did his first day's work on Oct. 1, 1900. On that day he entered the employ of the New York Central and Hudson River Railway.
He began as a \$10-a-week clerk and he hoped to work his way up. He went there to learn the railway business in all its branches.
Young Vanderbilt is ambitious to occupy the position held by his father. No one believed that he had the serious bent of his elder brother, Cornelius. Cornelius gave up his prospective millions for love and went to work in New York while his younger brother led a butterfly existence in Newport.
But Alfred made up his mind to go to work too. He hardly needed the money, with his income of \$20,000,000 a year, but he thought the experience might come in handy.
So he gave a dinner to a few of his friends at Harbor View, the villa of Mrs. T. O. French, on Sept. 30, 1900, and that night he was married to a New York girl. The next day he was at his desk on time, like the rest of the railroad's employees.
Both Wet and Dry.
(From the Philadelphia Press.)
"Give me a room with a good fire in it," cried the storm-beaten traveller. "Give whisky, but I'm wet."
"Yes, sir," said the landlord of the wayside inn.
"And, landlord, bring me a brandy and soda. Gee whizz! but I'm dry!"



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WOMAN WINS IN IROQUOIS WRANGLE



MRS. PADGETTE IN COURT.

Court Decides That Elizabeth Anne Padgett May Remain in Fashionable Apartments.

Somewhat to her surprise and greatly to her elation, Mrs. Elizabeth Anne Padgett was informed this afternoon that she might retain her apartments in the Iroquois, at No. 10 West Forty-fourth street. The information came to her from Judge Joseph, in the Yorkville Civil Court, at the conclusion of the hearing of the ejectment proceedings brought against her by Albert T. Foster, proprietor of the apartment-house. A score of handsomely gowned women

and correctly dressed men were in court when the hearing was called. They were friends of Mrs. Padgett and of Dr. Lucius Sheffield, of the Waldorf-Astoria, who died last September and was the Mr. Padgett in the case.

Mr. Foster was the first witness. He said he had made a lease for the apartments with a man who represented himself as E. A. Padgett, and gave as reference Dr. Lucius Sheffield. He wrote to Dr. Sheffield at the Waldorf-Astoria and received in reply a letter highly commending Mr. Padgett. Mr. Foster at that time did not know that Dr. Sheffield and Mr. Padgett were identical.

Fair Witness Must Answer.
Mrs. Padgett was the next witness. So severe were the arguments between counsel that Judge Joseph took her examination in hand. She refused to

answer many questions, but the Judge told her that she would have to tell the truth.

Under pressure she admitted that her real name was Elizabeth Ann Neff-neck, and that she had lived in Chicago. This information was brought to Lawyer L'Esperance, counsel for Mr. Foster, in an anonymous letter to-day and he used it in court. The witness said that she had never been married to Dr. Sheffield.

She broke down at this point in the examination and wept while she protested that it was wrong to go into the history of a man who was dead. Judge Joseph said that he did not know that Dr. Sheffield was dead.
"It is foolish for you to continue a tradition of ejectment against a dead man," he said to Lawyer L'Esperance. "I advise you to withdraw the action, for it must fail."

TWO DUELS OVER HOLLAND'S QUEEN.

Wilhelmina's Husband Offended Her and Wounded Two Courtiers Who Took Up Quarrel.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 4.—In spite of official denials, investigations show there is substantial foundation for the story of a duel having been fought between Prince Henry of the Netherlands, husband of Queen Wilhelmina, and Major Von Tets, the Queen's aide-de-camp.
It appears that at a dinner at Het Loo, the Queen was hurt by some intonation on the part of the Prince, and spoke to him sharply.
Prince Henry retorted offensively.

whereupon Major Von Tets made a remark regarding the impropriety of the Prince Consort's conduct. A quarrel followed between the aide-de-camp and the Prince, who had been drinking, and a duel with swords was fought after dinner. Von Tets was wounded. He has since been removed to Utrecht to be operated upon.
The same incident gave rise to another duel between Prince Henry and a gentleman who had been drinking. The latter was slightly wounded.

DEATH FOR ATTACK ON THE PRESIDENT.

SENATOR HOAR NAMES THE PENALTY IN NEW BILL.

Twenty Years in Jail for Anybody Counselling the Killing of the Executive.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Senator Hoar to-day introduced a bill for the protection of the President of the United States. It provides that any one who shall kill the President, or shall make an attempt upon his life, shall be punished by death.
Any person who shall counsel or advise the killing of the President shall be imprisoned twenty years. Any person who shall aid the escape of any person concerned in the killing or counselling of the killing of the President, shall be punished equally as an accomplice.

BOY AND GIRL WED WITH PERMISSION.

BRIDE WAS 14 AND BRIDE-GROOM WAS 17.

Mothers of Each Witnessed Ceremony, for They Had Threatened to Elope.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 4.—Ella Reed, an exceedingly pretty girl of fourteen years, and George H. Way, seventeen years old, were married by Recorder Nowrey to-day with the consent of their parents. The two confessed their love for each other and threatened to elope unless they were permitted to marry. The mother of each witnessed the ceremony.

FREE PASSES NOT STOPPED

Railroad Representatives Decide to Cling to the Old System.

At the meeting of Western railroad presidents at No. 129 Broadway this morning a decision was reached. It is reported not to abolish free passes. While the passenger agents and Vice-presidents of the Transcontinental, Harriman, Kuhn, Loeb, Interstate, Chicago and Northwestern, and the Rock Island road; Vice-President David McNeill, of the Canadian Pacific system. The Harriman, Kuhn, Loeb interests were represented by Vice-President J. C. Stubbs; Illinois Central by President Edwin Hawley; Missouri, Kansas and Texas by Vice-President Hodge; Oregon Short Line and Navigation Company also by J. C. Stubbs. While the passenger agents and Vice-presidents of the Western Passenger Association, J. C. Charlton, chairman of the Transcontinental Passenger Association, and C. M. Pratt, of St. Louis, chairman of the Iowa and Western Passenger Association. They were there to discuss passenger rates in addition to the free pass question.
While the passenger agents and Vice-presidents were in session at No. 129 Broadway J. J. Hill was meeting the Harriman representatives at No. 130 street, which is the office of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern Railroads.
Mr. Hill had just come in from Minnesota, where the State officials have attacked the big combine represented by the Northern Securities Company. It is believed that the conference in No. 130 Wall street was to discuss ways and means to meet this attack.

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